MOST SERIOUS OFFENSE* OF INMATES ADMITTED FISCAL YEARS 2015 - 2019

OFFENSE	FY 2015		FY 2016		FY 2017		FY 2018		FY 2019	
CLASSIFICATION	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
DANGEROUS DRUGS	1,715	19.8%	1,852	21.1%	1,795	21.5%	1,735	22.9%	1,805	24.5%
BURGLARY	1,352	15.6%	1,340	15.2%	1,152	13.8%	1,109	14.6%	963	13.1%
LARCENY	836	9.7%	758	8.6%	749	9.0%	589	7.8%	558	7.6%
ASSAULT	732	8.5%	737	8.4%	665	8.0%	673	8.9%	643	8.7%
FAMILY OFFENSE	479	5.5%	551	6.3%	592	7.1%	574	7.6%	628	8.5%
ROBBERY	519	6.0%	523	5.9%	525	6.3%	440	5.8%	428	5.8%
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	559	6.5%	518	5.9%	505	6.0%	365	4.8%	330	4.5%
WEAPON OFFENSE	309	3.6%	322	3.7%	308	3.7%	287	3.8%	280	3.8%
FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY	335	3.9%	316	3.6%	286	3.4%	201	2.7%	184	2.5%
STOLEN VEHICLE	227	2.6%	282	3.2%	282	3.4%	264	3.5%	260	3.5%
HOMICIDE	270	3.1%	259	2.9%	260	3.1%	277	3.7%	242	3.3%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	196	2.3%	181	2.1%	250	3.0%	234	3.1%	231	3.1%
OBSTRUCTING POLICE	211	2.4%	219	2.5%	188	2.2%	150	2.0%	124	1.7%
SEX OFFENSES	231	2.7%	234	2.7%	143	1.7%	140	1.8%	141	1.9%
FORGERY/COUNTERFEIT	196	2.3%	200	2.3%	159	1.9%	144	1.9%	137	1.9%
KIDNAPPING	76	0.9%	88	1.0%	101	1.2%	87	1.1%	76	1.0%
STOLEN PROPERTY	111	1.3%	91	1.0%	79	0.9%	60	0.8%	75	1.0%
ACCESSORY TO FELONY	61	0.7%	45	0.5%	46	0.6%	27	0.4%	40	0.5%
ARSON	32	0.4%	43	0.5%	30	0.4%	29	0.4%	34	0.5%
DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	27	0.3%	42	0.5%	51	0.6%	24	0.3%	19	0.3%
CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY	33	0.4%	33	0.4%	21	0.3%	28	0.4%	25	0.3%
FLIGHT/ESCAPE	20	0.2%	24	0.3%	34	0.4%	31	0.4%	25	0.3%
INVASION OF PRIVACY	26	0.3%	35	0.4%	31	0.4%	12	0.2%	29	0.4%
SMUGGLING	17	0.2%	26	0.3%	24	0.3%	20	0.3%	19	0.3%
PROPERTY CRIME	10	0.1%	16	0.2%	21	0.3%	10	0.1%	22	0.3%
PUBLIC PEACE	12	0.1%	15	0.2%	13	0.2%	9	0.1%	10	0.1%
CRIME AGAINST PERSON	6	0.1%	15	0.2%	12	0.1%	15	0.2%	8	0.1%
POSSESSION OF TOOLS	10	0.1%	9	0.1%	7	0.1%	9	0.1%	4	0.1%
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE	15	0.2%	3	0.0%	5	0.1%	11	0.1%	5	0.1%
CONSERVATION	10	0.1%	5	0.1%	8	0.1%	5	0.1%	2	0.0%
MISPRISON TO FELONY	3	0.0%	3	0.0%	4	0.0%	8	0.1%	5	0.1%
OBSCENE MATERIAL	3	0.0%	3	0.0%	2	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%
DRUNKENNESS	5	0.1%	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	2	0.0%
EXTORTION	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	3	0.0%	2	0.0%
GAMBLING	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	3	0.0%
COMMERCIALIZED SEX	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%
EMBEZZLEMENT	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	2	0.0%
MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
HABITUAL OFFENDER	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
LICENSE VIOLATION	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
COMPUTER CRIMES	0	0.0%	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%
LIQUOR	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
GANG OFFENSES	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
TATTOOING	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
TOTAL	8,656	100%	8,798	100%	8,357	100%	7,577	100%	7,363	100%

^{*} Highlighted areas indicate most common offenses for each fiscal year. Inmates often are committed to SCDC with many offenses, with each carrying a specific sentence, county of commitment, etc. To facilitate statistical reporting, SCDC determines a single "most serious offense" (MSO) for each inmate. Before August 2005, the offense with the longest sentence determined MSO. Effective August 2005, inmates' MSO is the offense with the highest severity level (i.e. offenses are classified between severity level 1 and 5, with 5 as the most severe). In cases where an inmate has multiple offenses at the same severity level, SCDC considers the category of each offense, where homicide offenses take precedence, followed by sex offenses and violent offenses. If multiple offenses exist within the same category, the offense with the longest sentence then determines MSO. Because of this definitional change, post-2005 MSO data cannot be compared to pre-2005 MSO data.

Note: Percentages may not add up due to rounding.